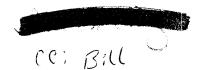
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Ms. Pamela Grubaugh-Littig Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining 1594 West North Temple, STE. 1210 P.O. Box 145801 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801

RE: Raptor Monitoring for 2001, Willow Creek Mine, Plateau Mining Corporation, bon County, Utah

Dear Ms. Littig:

Plateau Mining Corporation (PMC) does not intend to conduct its annual raptor monitoring for the year 2001. With the Willow Creek Mine in temporary cessastion and with no proposed mining related activities anticipated that would have a significant potential to affect raptor breeding adversely, PMC does not believe a raptor survey is warranted.

If PMC's position is in error, please do not hesitate to contact me to discuss the issue further and, if necessary, the appropriate monitoring can take place.

Sincerely,

Johnny Pappas

Sr. Environmental Engineer

cc: C. Colt - UDWR

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